

1576

TYCHO BRAHE, a Danish Astronomer designed astronomical instruments. He built a remarkable observatory in 1576 and spent 21 years there making calculations of the stars and planets with astonishing precision. (He clung to earth-centered theory but his research later helped to prove the new Copernican notions.)

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Don John of Austria (1545-78)
was appointed governor-general
of the Netherlands in 1576.
Though politically out-maneuvred
by William of Orange, he defeated
the patriot army, but the
jealousy of Philip II robbed
his work of fruition.

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Accession Rudolf II Emperor

India: Akbar Conquers Bengal.

June 1576

Mutiny broke out among the Spanish and Walloon troops in the Netherlands to whom long arrears of pay were due. The mutineers established themselves at ALOST in Brabant, but in Nov. 1576 they marched on Antwerp and for 3 days (Nov 3, 4, 5) attacked the town, massacring 6,000 citizens, burning down

800 houses and doing damage
estimated at over \$10,000,000.
This heinous atrocity, known as the
Spanish Fury

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Poland - Lithuania

Stephen Báthory issued
decrees against blood libel.

1576-98
~~1590-98~~

Holy League

Organization of French Catholics
to suppress Protestants during
Huguenot Wars 1576-98;
alliance formed by Pope

Julius II with Venice, Spain, England,
Swiss Confederation, and Holy Roman Emperor
Maximilian I to expel King Louis XIII
of France from Italy (1510-1513)

Maestricht, the Capital of Dutch province of LIMBURG was captured and plundered by the mutineers from the Spanish troops. In 1579 it suffered another siege by the Spanish who slaughtered nearly the whole population.

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Antwerp was entered, during
the Spanish Fury and sacked
for 3 days. Thousands of citizens
were slain; houses were destroyed
and large sums of money
carried away.

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Blackfriars Theatre
First private theater in
London

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Spain & Netherlands

Pacification of Ghent.